# MW & BC Funded Projects MSU 1981-82

TITLE: Purchase of Near Infrared Reflectance Apparatus for

the Cereal Quality Laboratory

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant Pathology

RESEARCHERS: C. F. McGurie

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$3,000.00

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

1) Near Infrared Reflectance technology allows the rapid measurement of such quality parameters in wheat and barley as protein percentage, moisture percentage, fiber content, amino acid content, plus other traits as need arises.

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TITLE: Control of soil-borne diseases of wheat and barley

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences

**RESEARCHERS:** Don Mathre

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$21,400.00

# **OBJECTIVES:**

- 1) To test in the greenhouse and field systemic fungicides for their capacity to control common root rot and increase yield of spring wheat, spring barley, and winter wheat.
- 2) To test in the field the effect of systemic seed treatment fungicides for their capacity to decrease winter kill in winter wheat.
- 3) To advance another generation of materials being developed for resistance to Cephalosporium stripe and field test them in a variety of locations with and without this

disease.

- 4) To test new sources of resistance for Cephalosporium stripe and determine the feasibility of using them in an agronomic program for developing resistance to Cephalosporium stripe in winter wheat.
- 5) To test new seed treatment compounds and formulations for control of barley stripe disease, both in the greenhouse and field.
- 6) To continue our work with officials of the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture in determining the factors that affect the development of TCK smut on winter wheat in Montana.

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TITLE: Control of Volunteer Grain in Recropped Wheat and

Barley

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences/Engineering & Computer

Science

RESEARCHERS: Bruce McLead, Stan Gliko, James R. Sims

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$1,000.00

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

1) To determine the optimum microwave power level and exposure time to kill all crop and weed seed ejected from the back of a combine.

2) To suggest design features of a combine-mounted microwave unit.

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TITLE: Restoration of Fertility and Productivity of Montana

Soils with Cereal-Legume Rotations and/or Chemical

Fertilizers

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Science

RESEARCHERS: James R. Sims, Saidou Koala, Hatim El-Attar

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$2,000.00

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

1) Develop annual forage legume-cereal rotations.

2) Develop annual grain legume-cereal rotations.

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**TITLE:** Improved Winterhardiness for Winter Wheat Production in Montana

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences

RESEARCHERS: Jarvis H. Brown, Michael J. wille, G. Allan

Taylor

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$8,510.00

### **OBJECTIVE:**

1) To help develop winter wheat varieties with increased winter-hardiness in Montana environments.

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TITLE: Winter Wheat Improvement

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences

RESEARCHERS: Allan Taylor, Dana Nile, Hollis Spitler,

Muhammad Khan, Steve Allen, Sadiq Chaudhry

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$26,000.00

# **OBJECTIVES:**

1) Evaluate early generation selection for grain yield in winter wheat.

2) General support for the winter wheat breeding project.

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TITLE: Barley Breeding

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences

RESEARCHERS: Robert F. Eslick

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$17,000.00

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

1) Montana Wheat Research and Marketing Committee has supported barley breeding endeavors for the past 4 years. As a result, we have on hand a number of genes that incluence agronomic performance, processing characteristics, and end-product characteristics (value). Currently we have chosen the Betzes genetic background as the primary recipient of all the available genes.

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TITLE: Winter Wheat Quality Relative to Fertilization With

Sulfate, Chloride, Phosphate, and Nitrogen

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Plant & Soil Sciences

RESEARCHERS: Charles McGuire

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$5,800.00

## **OBJECTIVES:**

1) Compare the effect of  $K_2SO_4$  and KCl on winter wheat yield protein, and yellow berry. Determine the extent of Cl interference with nitrate uptake. Resole the effect of phosphorous on yellow berry. Determine if  $K_2SO_4$  might be a more beneficial source of potassium for dryland winter wheat.

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TITLE: Development of practical and Economic Continuous and

Other Cropping Systems for Grain Production in

Montana

**INSTITUTION:** Montana State University

**DEPARTMENT:** Ag Research Centers

**RESEARCHERS:** Various

**AMOUNT FUNDED:** \$31,300.00

#### OBJECTIVE:

1) Under the present system of grain culture in Montana many problems associated with the alternate and cropfallow system indicate a needed change to new and practical methods of continuous cropping and/or other economic cropping sequences.